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**Community Health Center Fair Features Fun and Education**  
**For the Entire Family, 8/12**

What role does a community health center play in the community? Find out at the Lake County Health Department/Community Health Center's first Stepping Toward Health Fair on Tuesday, August 12, from 9 a.m. to noon on the lawn of the Belvidere Medical Building, 2400 Belvidere Road in Waukegan. This free health fair is held in conjunction with National Health Center Week, August 10-16, sponsored by the National Association of Community Health Centers, Inc.

"In Lake County, our four community health center facilities are helping to improve the health of more than 40,000 people, many of whom are low-income, uninsured and lack access to physicians and basic health services," said Dale Galassie, the Health Department's Executive Director. "This fair will showcase some of the services our facilities offer, and will be fun for the entire family."

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The fair will feature booths representing a variety of community health center and health department programs, including dental, immunizations, nutrition education, WIC, tobacco and drug prevention, cancer prevention, and proper car seat installation. In addition to the health booths, a number of community organizations are participating. The Waukegan Public Library will bring its book mobile. The Waukegan Fire Department will bring a fire truck. The Waukegan Police will present its mobile substation and a dog from its canine unit. Additionally, members of the Waukegan Jazz Steppers and Drum Corp, an award-winning drill team sponsored by the Waukegan Park District, will perform.

Participants are invited to talk with the health professionals tending the booths and pick up literature. They are also eligible to win raffle prizes, such as insulated lunch bags, as well as free treats at the Waukegan farmer's market.

Across the nation, America's community health centers care for almost 13 million people in more than 3,500 communities. They have dramatically reduced health disparities and pioneered successes in treating chronic diseases, such as diabetes and hypertension.

In the event of inclement weather, this event will be canceled. For more information about the Stepping Toward Health Fair, please call: (847) 377-8099.

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